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**College-Bound Students and Their Families Invited to “Paying for College,”
A FREE Financial Aid Workshop**

Join Honorary Co-Host U.S. Rep. John Spratt and The Sallie Mae Fund on April 26

RESTON, Va., April 22, 2003 — Area high school students and their families are invited to attend “Paying for College,” a free workshop on planning and paying for college, on Saturday, April 26, at 10:00 a.m. The workshop will be held at the Barnes Theater in the Baxter M. Hood Continuing Education Center located on the campus of York Technical College. One high school attendee will win a \$500 scholarship toward the cost of higher education.

“Paying for College” will give students and their families information to help them with one of the biggest hurdles facing college-bound students: paying for the college or university of their choice. U. S. Rep. John Spratt is scheduled to appear at the event sponsored by The Sallie Mae Fund.

Students and their families will learn about planning and applying for admissions; applying for and qualifying for financial aid; understanding financial aid awards; borrowing for college; the differences in federal student loan programs and more. Attendees also will be provided with free resources that detail the financial aid process.

Individuals interested in attending should RSVP by calling (toll-free) 877-840-8224 or logging on to www.thesalliemaefund.org. Seating is limited.

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The Sallie Mae Fund is the charitable arm of Sallie Mae, the nation’s leading provider of education loans. The Fund achieves its mission—to increase access to a post-secondary education for America’s children—by supporting programs and initiatives that help open doors to higher education, prepare families for their investment and bridge the gap when no one else can. In addition to The Sallie Mae Fund’s annual giving of \$8.9 million, including charitable grants, Sallie Mae encourages volunteerism and community service in the communities where its employees live and work.

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